GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:435
ANSWERED ON:26.04.2005
CULTIVATION OF LAND ALONG BANGLADESH BORDER
Adhalrao Patil Shri Shivaji

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether inhabitants of Indo-Bangladesh Border area are facing problems in cultivating their lands due to the ongoing fencing work;

(b) if so, whether the Government has taken up the matter with Bangladesh to resolve the issue; and

(c) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 435 FOR ANSWER ON 26TH APRIL, 2005 BY SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING CULTIVATION OF LAND ALONG BANGLADESH BORDER.

(a) to (c): By and large, the inhabitants of Indo-Bangladesh border are not facing any problem in cultivating their lands due to the on-going fencing work. Gates have been provided at appropriate places for easy movement of inhabitants whose land falls between the fence and the international border. The timings for opening and closing of these gates are determined after discussion with the local people as well as with local administration. However, the gates can be opened at any time in emergency by the BSF guard who is posted at every gate. Necessary security in being provided by BSF to the inhabitants residing along the international borders.